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THROUGH AN INHALATION ROUTE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2005. A Petition for a three-month time extension also accompanies this response.

Amendments to the claims are submitted in compliance with revised 37 CFR 1.121.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

37 CFR 1.8 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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